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FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

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TAGS: EAIR, CE

SUBJECT: AIR CEYLON INTERNATIONAL

REF: COLOMBO 2334 AND PREVIOUS

1. DEPARTMENT CONTACTED TWA AND PAN AM TO DISCUSS AIR
CEYLON'S DESIRE TO COLLABORATE WITH A LARGE AIRLINE
THAT WOULD SUPPLY CAPITAL, AIRCRAFT AND MANAGEMENT.
UNFORTUNATELY NEITHER TWA NOR PAN AM ARE ABLE AT THE
MOMENT TO PARTICIPATE BEYOND SELLING AIR CEYLON AIRCRAFT
WHICH MAY BE SUITABLE TO THEIR NEEDS OR PROVIDING THEM,
FOR A FEE, MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

2. DEPARTMENT WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE EXISTENCE OF
AN EARLIER TWA PROPOSAL WHICH RESEMBLED THE ASSISTANCE
AIR CEYLON IS SEEKING, BUT DID LEARN THAT TWA IS
EXPLORING THE IDEA OF TEAMING WITH AN AIRLINE WHICH
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MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN INVESTING IN AIR CEYLON.
ALTHOUGH IT IS UNLIKELY TWA WILL BE ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER
A VIABLE PROPOSAL ANYTIME SOON, THE AIR SERVICE COMMITTEE
SHOULD NOT BE DISCOURAGED FROM CONTACTING TWA.

3. DEPARTMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO ADVISE YOU WHICH US
AIRLINES HAVE OR INTEND TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS. HOWEVER,

EMBASSY SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT THIS WILL BE DIFFICULT TO
DO SINCE OVER FIFTY AIRLINES, CONSULTANTS, AND OTHER US
AVIATION ORGANIZATIONS WERE ORIGINALLY NOTIFIED
FYI: EACH NOTIFICATION REQUESTED EMBASSY BE
INFORMED OF ANY OFFER OR PROPOSAL MADE TO AIR CEYLON.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY ATTEMPT TO LEARN HOW MUCH IT WILL
COST TO ACQUIRE 49 PERCENT OF AIR CEYLON. VANCE

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